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SUBJECT: CIVIL AVIATION SECURITY TECHNICAL
ASSISTANCE

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1. TO FURTHER INTERNATIONAL CIVIL AVIATION SECURITY
AND IMPROVE SAFETY OF CITIZENS OF U.S. AND MEXICO, FAA
TECHNICAL SECURITY ASSISTANCE TEAM WILL VISIT MEXICO
FROM SEPTEMBER 4 TO 15 FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXCHANGING
INFORMATION AND TECHNICAL EXPERTISE IN MATTERS OF CIVIL
AVIATION SECURITY WHICH WILL BE BENEFICIAL TO BOTH THE
U.S. AND HOST COUNTRY.

2. DEPENDENT ON DESIRES OF MEXICAN AUTHORITIES, FAA
SPECIALISTS PREPARED TO DISCUSS ALL ASPECTS OF CIVIL
AVIATION SECURITY, CONDUCT AIRPORT SECURITY SURVEYS AT
MEXICO CITY AND OTHER LOCATIONS IF TIME PERMITS, AND
ASSIST IN THE TRAINING OF SECURITY PERSONNEL. FAA TEAM
WILL ALSO PROVIDE A WRITTEN REPORT TO MEXICAN GOVERNMENT
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WHICH WILL INCLUDE FINDINGS OF THE SURVEY(S) AND
RECOMMENDATIONS.

3. FOUR (4) TEAM MEMBERS AND JOHN ADAMS, CHIEF OF FAA

SOUTHWEST REGION SECURITY DIVISION, WILL ARRIVE AT 6:55
PM SEPTEMBER 4 ABOARD AAL FLIGHT 437. REQUEST RESERVA-

TIONS BE MADE FOR FIVE (5) SINGLES AT HOLIDAY INN, MEXICO CITY INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT. PREFER THIS HOTEL FOR EASY ACCESS TO AIRPORT FOR CONDUCT OF AIRPORT SECURITY SURVEY AND OTHER SESSIONS. THE FOUR TEAM MEMBERS WILL REMAIN TO ABOUT SEPTEMBER 15; MR. ADAMS WILL DEPART MEXICO SEPTEMBER 6.

4. TEAM REQUIRES USE OF A KODAK 35 MM SLIDE PROJECTOR CAPABLE OF HANDLING 140 SLIDE CAROUSELS, AUDIO CASSETTE TAPE RECORDER AND A 16 MM MOVIE FILM PROJECTOR WITH OPTIC SOUND. PLEASE ADVISE SOONEST IF THIS EQUIPMENT IS AVAILABLE FOR TEAM'S USE DURING STATED PERIOD. ALSO ADVISE IF EMBASSY CAN PROVIDE CLERICAL ASSISTANCE FOR PREPARATION OF TEAM REPORT.

5. ONE TEAM MEMBER FLUENT IN SPANISH BUT COULD USE ONE INTERPRETER PART-TIME FOR OTHER MEMBERS OF TEAM.

6. REQUEST INITIAL MEETING OF TEAM WITH APPROPRIATE MEXICAN GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS BE SET FOR MORNING OF SEPTEMBER 5. ADVISE NAME OF EMBASSY CONTACT AND AVAILABILITY OF EQUIPMENT AND CLERICAL ASSISTANCE BY RETURN MESSAGE. CHRISTOPHER

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